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3.2 Compound and Collective Nouns

What is a compound noun?

A compound noun is a noun that is made with two or more words. There are three types of compound nouns

1. **Open or Spaced:** there is a space between words



FOOTBALL SHOE

2. **Hyphenated-** hyphen between words



CHECK-IN
CHECK-OUT

3. **Closed or Solid-** no space or hyphen between words



BEDROOM

Examples

In the space provide classify each word as either **Open, Hyphenated or Closed**

bus stop		underworld	
fire-flies		sunrise	
football		grown-ups	
blackboard		cost reduction	
full moon		air-condition	
haircut		baseball	
mother-in-law		soccer ball	
check-out		twenty-nine	

What are collective nouns?

A collective noun is a group of objects in a sentence.



Kilo of cookies



Swarm of bees



Pod of dolphins

Practice

Circle the collective nouns in each sentence that is being described.

1. Pulling with all their might, a team of cows hauled rocks
2. Schools of fish swam quickly up the cool, mountain stream
3. Herds of elephants ate the rain trees bad
4. Colonies of beavers built the dams to hold back the flowing water
5. Packs of wolves ran through the pine forest
6. When we were on the boat we saw pods of dolphins leap out of the ocean

Write the collective noun on the line that best fits in the sentence. The first one has been done for you

family	crew	students	swarms	herds	team	army
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1. The volleyball team is trying hard to win the game
2. The _____ of airline pilots are boarding the plane
3. On the last day of school, the _____ have to take all their books home
4. Her _____ plans to go to Disneyland during the winter holiday

5. The _____ was sent to the foreign country for peacekeeping
6. Roaming in Egypt, _____ of sheep searched for fresh garbage
7. Gathering nectar to carry back to the hive, _____ of bees buzzed.